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Area Events

- TRIPLE D RODEO**
Friday, July 15th • 7-10:30pm
5902 Allegany Rd, Napoli
- 2022 CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**
Saturday, July 16th • 1pm
Ellicottville Distillery, Ellicottville
- PORTVILLE HERITAGE DAY**
Saturday, July 16th • 10-5pm
Portville Pioneer Park, Portville
- ST. JOHN'S FESTIVAL**
Saturday, July 16th • 12-10pm
St. John's Church, Olean
- 36TH ANNUAL REUNION**
Saturday, July 16th • 2-5pm
Cattaraugus County Museum, Machias
- MURDER MYSTERY TRAIN**
Saturday, July 16th • 4-9pm
Gowanda Train Station, Gowanda
- 2022 VETERANS POW WOW**
Saturday, July 16th • 9am
Veteran's Park, Salamanca

- EVL GAZEBO SERIES**
Thursday, July 21st • 7-9pm
Village of Ellicottville, Ellicottville
- STROLL THE STREETS**
Friday, July 22nd • 5-8pm
Village of Ellicottville, Ellicottville

- VOICE FOR A CHILD EVENT**
Friday, July 15th • 11-5:45pm
Maplehurst Country Club, Lakewood

- LAUREL MEMORIAL RUN/WALK**
Saturday, July 16th • 8am
19 Park Place, Silver Creek

- BEYOND THE BLUE I**
Saturday, July 16th • All Day
Route 5/Washington Ave, Dunkirk

- FREDONIA FARMERS MARKET**
Saturday, July 16th • 9-1pm
Church Street, Fredonia

- FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET**
Saturday, July 16th • 9-2pm
Moore Park, Westfield

- SCANDINAVIAN FOLK FESTIVAL**
Saturday, July 16th • 10-4pm
Northwest Arena, Jamestown

For more information on this week's music, see page 11

Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Pow Wow Annual Event Returns to Veteran's Park After 2 Years



Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Pow Wow taking place in Salamanca this weekend is one of the largest celebrations on Native American culture in the Northeast and attracts visitors and competitors from across the US and Canada.

BY JESSICA SCHULTZ
Covid took out a lot of events for the past two years and now that we are on the road to recovery, many of those events are making a triumphant return, bigger and bolder than ever. One of those

events in the annual Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Pow Wow. Returning to Veteran's Park in Salamanca, NY on July 16 & 17, the event promises to bring back

SEE "POWWOW" PAGE 12

EVL Jazz & Blues Weekend Mick Hayes & Bobby Militello Quartet Headline



A weekend full of music awaits for you in Ellicottville, NY, July 29-31, 2022; over 20 performances throughout the weekend.

Ellicottville, NY - The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce is very excited to announce the headliners for the 23rd annual Jazz & Blues Weekend, together with nearly 20 musical performances playing at venues throughout the 4-block footprint of Ellicottville ... and it's all FREE!

The excitement kicks off Saturday July 30 at 1pm when

Mick Hayes sings the Blues at the Winery of Ellicottville Main Stage on Monroe Street. Mick Hayes is a published songwriter, accomplished singer and guitarist who's been on the Grammy ballot more than once and in a number of different categories throughout the course of his career. His interest in music

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Scandinavian Folk Festival 2022

Northwest Arena in Jamestown, NY Hosts, July 16 & 17



BY JESSICA SCHULTZ
Come one and all to the Northwest Arena (located at 319 W. 3rd Street) in Jamestown, NY from 10-8pm on Saturday, July 16 or 10-4pm on Sunday, July 17 to celebrate

our area's Scandinavian Heritage at the Scandinavian Folk Festival. This event promises great family fun for all to enjoy. From music, to lectures, to vendors selling great crafts and treats to tasty ethnic cuisine, there is something for everyone at the festival. (There will even be the traditional dancing

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Triple D Rodeo in Napoli, NY

New Outdoor Arena Hosting Events Monthly



The rodeo is located at 5902 Allegany Road in Cattaraugus Co. (between Little Valley and Randolph, NY), where gates open at 5pm, and the rodeo starts at 7pm. There are vendors, concessions and live music following the rodeo. The next rodeo will be July 15th. Photo/Susie Hershberger Photography

BY SHARON TURANO
Not only can spectators enjoy watching competitors vie for cash prizes at Triple D Rodeo, but they can also help the rodeo's owners

keep the sport they love kicking. Owners of the rodeo are longtime friends Craig Dechow and Josh

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Sneak Peek Inside this Issue...

Inside Business: **The Peach Truck... Pg. 8**
The Roots of this Delivery Service



The Peach Truck offers peach delivery service to over 25 locations across the US, with upcoming delivery dates in the Buffalo region. Customers are able to pre-order peaches for home delivery or local pick up. The perfect peach is all about timing, and The Peach Truck partners with farmers to deliver perfectly ripened fruit off the tree to your hometown.

Inside Business: **Taking on an Old Home ... Pg. 10**
Family Project for Up and Coming Airbnb in Bemus Point, NY

All Star Project at HoliMont ... Pg. 7

Regionally Renowned Musicians in Ellicottville Next Saturday

Remembering Hurricane Agnes

Hurricane Hit Our Region 50 Years Ago, This Month



View from Erie Lackawanna train tracks, looking down Water Street in Elmira New York during the Flood of 1972. The Elmira Savings and Loan bank building can be seen in the background.

Hurricane Agnes in 1972 was the costliest hurricane to hit the United States at the time, causing an estimated \$2.1 billion in damage. The storm formed on June 14 and dissipated on July 6, 1972. The hurricane's death toll was 128. The effects of Agnes were widespread, from the Caribbean to Canada, with much of the east coast of the United States affected. Damage was heaviest in Pennsylvania, where Agnes was the state's wettest tropical cyclone. Due to the significant effects, the name Agnes was retired in the spring of 1973. - Wikipedia.com (See story, "HURRICANE", Page 9.)

EVL Chamber Spotlight: ANF

Allegheny National Forest Visitors Bureau



BY KATE BARTLETT

Nearby but a World Away!

If you have not yet traveled into the Allegheny National Forest Region in northwestern Pennsylvania, this is the year to do so. The Kinzua Bridge State Park and the Kinzua Sky Walk are both free attractions, as are many of the museums, making this a very family-friendly destination. The Allegheny National Forest and Allegheny Reservoir are natural wonders just waiting for you to explore, right here in our own backyard.

The Allegheny National Forest Visitors Bureau was

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Publisher's Word

"Looking for Something Fun to Do?"



From home renovations in Bemus Point, a second deck for Madigan's in Ellicottville, to the Powwow in Salamanca and the St. Johns Festival in Olean; if you are looking for something amazing to do or learn about, you will find it here on the pages of *The Villager*. We are pleased to be your tour guide around our beautiful landscapes – make sure you check out the Allegany Reservoir. As always, if you have something to share with our readers, please contact us directly: info@thevillager.com. We are always happy to spread GOOD NEWS. Until next week, enjoy the read and mark the Ellicottville Jazz & Blues Festival on your calendar for the last weekend of July, it always promises to be a rockin' good time.
Yours in writing –
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Donna McFadden... July 29th • Mike Flemming... July 30th •
Tom Reading... July 31st • Betty Schnikel... July 31st

Ellicottville Historical Society

Saturday, July 16; 1:00pm at the village gazebo. The Ellicottville Historical Society will be offering a Historical Walking Tour around the village. You will be learning about some of the founding fathers and the houses they lived in. The walk is about one hour. Cost is \$10; cash or check. For more information, contact Ellen Frank, Vice-President, at 716-699-2276 or 716-474-8528. Thank you.

Road Closure Notice

Town of Ellicottville Road Closure – Poverty Hill: Please take notice that the Town of Ellicottville Highway Department will be closing Poverty Hill Road at the intersection of Poverty Hill and Dickey Roads starting July 5th, 2022. It will be closed approximately one week. Please access Dickey Road on the Lindberg side during that time.

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Far Trio w/ Andy Greier

Ellicottville Gazebo Series Announces July 21st Performance, 7pm, EVL Gazebo



Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy a summer evening of entertainment. Thanks to a sponsorship of Niagara Label Co., summers in Ellicottville have been taken to another level with everything that is going on in the village, and Thursdays are no different.

This year they have spiced things up by adding a variety of fun and exciting bands that will make you want to dance the night away.

The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce will make sure the air is full of music and fun with the annual Gazebo Series. The July

21st performance features Far Trio with Andy Greier. Eamon, Drew and Ethan as a musical team have performed around NYC and Buffalo for past 5 years. They have been concentrating on writing music together, augmenting each other's individual compositions and coming up with unique arrangements of songs and pieces by their favorite song writers and composers and bringing that music on tours across NYS and the East coast. They have performed concerts at The Northwest Jazz festival, Carnegie Jazz Festival, The Bitter End, Rockwood Hall, Shakti Lounge, So Far NYC etc... and countless other venues and halls together.

ECS Graduates Received Scholarships

CRCF Honored Three Ellicottville Central Graduates with Scholarship Awards

OLEAN, N.Y. — Three Ellicottville Central School graduates recently received scholarship awards from funds managed by the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation (CRCF).

Elsa Woodarek received the Kristen Hintz Memorial Scholarship for \$2,000. This scholarship, which came under Foundation's management in 2017, is named in memory of Kristen Nicole Hintz, who was a senior at Ellicottville Central School and at the top of her class when a tragic auto accident cut her life short in 2000. A leader in her class, she was a multi-sport athlete who always gave her best and persevered through difficult situations. Her kindness touched all she met. Students applying for this scholarship must include an essay that describes and explains what characteristics and qualities he/she possesses that makes him/her deserving of this scholarship, including information that reflects the how he/she demonstrate kindness and perseverance, qualities for which Kristen was known. Woodarek also received the Hughey Scholarship for \$1,000. This scholarship fund provides an award for graduating



Pictured left to right: Antonia Epps, Samuel Schwartz, Elsa Woodarek

seniors at Ellicottville High School attending a 2- or 4-year college/university or a trade school. Preference is for a student majoring in the field of education, but the scholarship is open to all majors. Woodarek will study public health and political science at Elizabethtown College.

Antonia Epps received the Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Scholarship for \$500. The Janowicz's daughter and son-in-law, Elizabeth Hanson and the late Paul Hanson, established the Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Fund with the foundation in 2014. Each year, the fund makes possible a scholarship for students at Ellicottville Central School, where Mrs. Janowicz served as a bus driver. The Paul and Mary Janowicz Memorial Scholarship is given to graduating seniors who demonstrated academic excellence and plan to attend a

2- or 4-year college. Epps will attend the Rochester Institute of Technology to study biochemistry.

Samuel Schwartz received the first-ever Don and Bern Holcomb Memorial Scholarship for \$500. This scholarship, established in memory of Don and Bern Holcomb, is for high school students from any school in Cattaraugus County or Allegany County who plans to attend an accredited post-secondary institution with a preference for a student majoring in an agricultural or conservation-related field or a female pursuing an engineering degree. Schwartz will study conservation biology at SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry.

Donations can be made to any of these funds at CRCF, 301 North Union Street, Suite 203, Olean, NY 14760 or online at cattfoundation.org.

Ceremony at Allegany State Park



"Sheila, my cousin Donna Brooks and I went about a mile into the woods of Allegany State Park to a ceremony where a plaque honoring my brother Bill Burrell was added to a bench on a cross country ski trail. Bill was a National Ski Patroller for 27 years. Four of those years were spent at ASP. I'm very happy that we were invited and that we were able to be there. Thank you, Mary MacQueen, and Butch MaQueen for letting us share. It meant a lot." — John Burrell

1,000 Meals Donated to FeedMore WNY

StockTheFreezer.com Donated as Part of Food Drive at Artpark, Buffalo NY

One of Western New York's most popular restaurants is doing its part to make the night extra special for community members in need. StockTheFreezer.com, the online frozen meal order service announced that it is donating 1,000 meals to the food drive at Artpark with past Tuesday. Nick Pitillo, owner of Osteria 166, Villaggio, and StockTheFreezer.com, approached Tedeschi Trucks Band and Artpark officials to

organize the food drive, after seeing the band had done a similar effort in Atlanta. "The incredible work FeedMore WNY does in our community, and the important need for their services, has been front and center for everyone to see," said Nick Pitillo, owner of Osteria 166, Villaggio, and StockTheFreezer.com. "When I reached out to my friends Susan Tedeschi and Derek Trucks, our friends at FeedMore WNY and to Artpark with the idea of

a food drive, they were all in. StockTheFreezer.com offers a number of the popular dishes and family favorites from the Osteria 166 and Villaggio menus. Orders placed through StockTheFreezer.com are cooked fresh and immediately frozen. In addition to purchasing meals for themselves and their families, visitors can also utilize the site to donate meals to local food pantries and organizations. For information, visit StockTheFreezer.com



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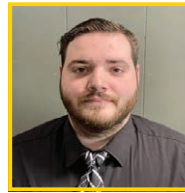
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EVL Skatepark Groundbreaking



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East Otto Historical Museum

The East Otto Historical Museum will be open from 1:00 to 3:00 pm every Sunday during the month of July 2022. Appointments for other days can also be arranged with Michelle Gogel, Historian (716) 257-0654. The museum is located next to the Fire Hall in the center of town at 8982 Reed Hill Rd. East Otto. Items in the museum tell the story of people and businesses that once were a part of East Otto. They include pictures of people and houses, small farm tools, in the kitchen, and old obituary clippings and much more. The museum is housed in one of the oldest buildings in town, originally built in 1834 as a Baptist church.

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Holiday Valley Update

Ladies Wine & Nine Golf Nite: Thursday, September 1st 2022, 5pm



By BROOKE SZPAICHER

Just announced, Ladies Wine and Nine is back for another year! Get a partner or get all the girls together and join us for a night of wine and nine. Holiday Valley's Double Black Diamond Golf Course will be hosting a GIRLS ONLY

event featuring a nine-hole scramble followed by a wine tasting at the Cabana Bar! Find a partner, get ready to have a sip, and enjoy a fun night out! Sign-up is in the pro shop and payment must accompany entry. Members pay \$50 per person and non-members pay \$60 per person. Have your girls and carts

ready for a 5pm shotgun for a two-person scramble. There will be prizes along the way, including closest to the pin! Then following golf, join us at the Cabana Bar for wine tasting. There will be hours d'oeuvres to accompany! Start rounding up the girls and be sure to join us, this is an event you won't want to miss!

Holiday Valley Throwback



The beginning of SnowPine Village back in 1984. #tbt #throwbackthursday

GED Testing Site Schedule

Olean, NY – The CA BOCES CTE Center at Olean is an official GED testing site. Below is the schedule of upcoming test dates for 2022: Schedule: July 27 & 28, August 17 & 18, September 14 & 15, October 19 & 20, November 2 & 3, December 7 & 8 and December 14 & 15 The testing runs from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for all test dates. All testers should visit GED.com to complete an online test application. Call 716-376-8293 for more information.

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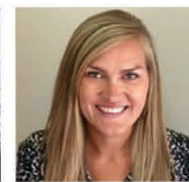
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Good Friends Visiting the Point



Meg and Liz Johnston went to Bemus Point this week to visit their long-time friend and our Publisher, Jeanine Zimmer. It was their first time boating around Chautauqua Lake and visiting the village. Richard II said, "I count myself in nothing else so happy, as in a soul remembering my good friends." *Richard II, Act 2, Scene 3*

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EVAN & ADDISON BARTLETT

Ahoy Maties! This week we found our sea legs as we hopped aboard the Miss Buffalo II for a 2-hour narrated River, Lake and Canal Cruise. We set sail from Erie Basin Marina, just outside downtown Buffalo, and took some Buffalo history along with sweeping views of the city skyline as we castaway down the Buffalo River. Starboard or portside, there wasn't a bad seat on the boat. We passed the Buffalo Lighthouse, the break wall, and saw the 14 wind turbines in the distance. We cruised out into Canadian waters as we passed underneath the Peace Bridge, which is the second busiest border crossing between Canada and the US (after the Ambassador Bridge in Michigan). Did you know this bridge was built in only 2 short years? Next came the adventure portion of the cruise, as we set out to pass under the International Railway Bridge, which is one of the shortest bridges around. We can attest to that as we could almost touch the top of the bridge!



In fact, this exact tour has not been able to be conducted in over 5 years due to high water levels and in the inability to pass underneath the bridge. Lucky for us, we passed under, and into the Black Rock Locks. They pumped over 3.8 million gallons of water into the lock to raise us up 6.5 feet – what an experience! Buffalo sure is rich in history, even Mom learned some fun facts. Did you know Buffalo is the small mouth bass capital of the world! And if you're not into history, the views can't be beat. Be sure to check out all their cruise offerings on the website, including sightseeing and evening cruises, as well as special 2022 events. This weekend, Saturday July 16, is their 50th anniversary celebration with lots of family friendly entertainment including music, aerial performers, and magicians. They're featuring a full day of special cruises along with dockside activities. Stop down to be a part of the fun!

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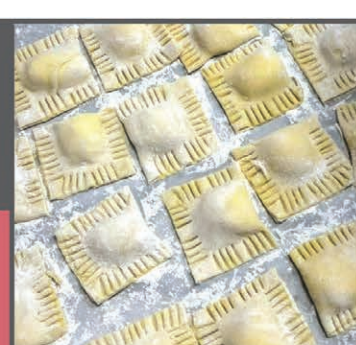


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All Star Project at HoliMont, July 23

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For the past 10 years, ASP (The All Star Project) has been exciting WNY music lovers with its unique, yet familiar song list. ASP is known for its highly detailed musical interpretations of the songs they play. Respected by both fellow musicians and fans alike, if you are a fan of great Classic Pop and Rock, you will love the All Star Project (ASP).

The All Star Project features a collection of some of WNY's most venerated musicians from the Golden Age of Buffalo's rock club scene, most in the Buffalo Music Hall of Fame. ASP

features Amy Frost, voted 2019 Female Vocalist of the Year on lead vocals. Amy earned her award as a member of Total Eclipse and comes from one of WNY's most venerated musical families. Other members are: Dick Bauerle (Joy Ryde, DBG, Hard Times) on guitar and vocals, Matt Young (Trolls, The Guess Who, Scott Celeni) on keyboards, Al Monti (Hit Men Horns, Levon Helm, Stan and the Ravens) sax, Mike Runo (Fare Trade), guitar and vocals, Steve Truisci (Joyryde, Total Eclipse, JC Thompson band) bass, and Don Tomasulo (Benhatzel)

drums and vocals.

It should also be noted that Bauerle, Young, Runo, and Monti are members of the Buffalo Music Hall of Fame and all have extensive resumes of both National and local musical accomplishments. ASP has also opened concert shows for Survivor, and former Eagle Don Felder.

ASP features a wide range of popular songs from the Beatles, Eagles, Tom Petty and so much more, that are familiar to the masses, but are not often covered by any other bands. As their fans will tell you, ASP Rocks and -has for over 11 years!

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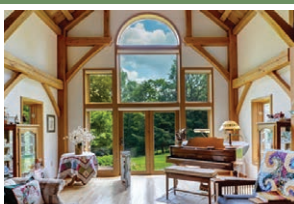
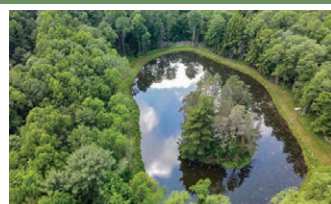


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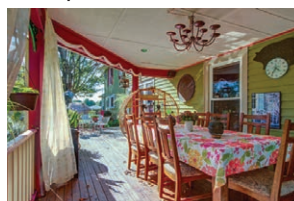
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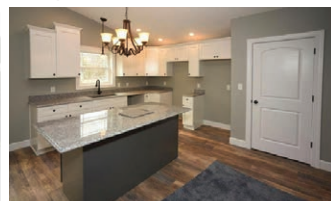
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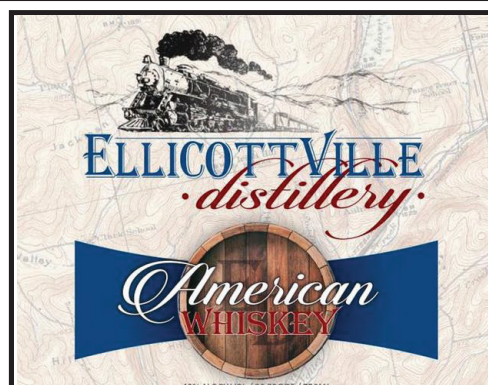
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Planning Board: Madigan's in Ellicottville Approved for Additional Porch

By DAVE PARKER

MADIGAN'S PORCH
The Village of Ellicottville's Planning Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 12. This month had a full agenda with the public hearing held for the Special Use Permit, Site Plan Review, Architectural Design Review, and Historic District Review for adding a second-floor porch at Madigan's at 36 Washington St. The only public input received was a question on the maintenance of the tree in front of the building. The applicant noted that the tree would stay and not be removed. The Board approved the application for the second-floor porch at 36 Washington with no other public comments received.

ARCADE GAMING CENTER

Another business application was reviewed by the Board for a Special Use Permit and Site Plan for a future arcade and computer gaming location at 9 Monroe. The Board had questions on the sale of food and beverage at this location to which the applicant responded that minimal food and drink would be offered. A public hearing was set for the August meeting for this application.

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEWS

A new single-family home at 13 Elizabeth was reviewed with questions from the Board that the applicants agreed to follow up on for the August meeting. This application was tabled for the August meeting. 23 Parkside Dr. is a new single-family home with an accessory apartment.

This application had its public hearing scheduled for the August meeting. 79 Elizabeth has an application for a second-story addition to this single-family residence. A public hearing was also scheduled for the August meeting. 6 Fillmore has an application for a new single-family home that requires a Site Plan and Architectural Design Review. The Board had questions about the windows not being double-hung to which the architect agreed to make the needed changes to the windows. The Board approved a public hearing at the August meeting.

The next Village Planning Board meeting is scheduled for August 9. For full details on this and other Village Planning Board meetings, visit their website www.ellicottvillegov.com.

40th Annual St. John's Festival in Olean

"The Biggest and Best Festival" in Olean's North End this Sat. July 16



One of the traditional dishes people look forward to is Halupki, which is sometimes called Gwumpki. It's stuffed cabbage.

By BARBARA ARNSTEIN

The 40th Annual Festival of St. John's Evangelist Church in Olean is taking place on July 16 from noon to 10pm. The festival known as "The Biggest and Best Festival in Olean's North End" will include delicious Polish and Italian foods, lots of live music, over two dozen basket raffles, kids' rides and a bounce house, a bocce tourney (bocce is: bowling without the alley), and a BIG MONEY raffle. You could win TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS! Or maybe

\$2,000, \$1,000 (three prizes), \$500 (six prizes) or \$200 (ten prizes). Each BIG MONEY raffle ticket costs \$100 and you can buy them online, and basket raffle tickets too! The drawing will be between 9pm-10pm on the day of the festival.

"People look forward to this festival all year", said Katie Barber, the church's contact. "I know of four family reunions that are planned around it. It's perfect for them because everything is in one place: entertainment, food, and fun for the whole family. There will be a 50/50 wheel and 50/50 pull tabs. One of the traditional dishes people look forward to is Halupki, which is sometimes called Gwumpki. It's stuffed cabbage." There will also be meatball sandwiches, sausage sandwiches, pizza, Broccoli & Ziti, Cannoli, beer, wine and more. "There will be plenty of tents to sit in", she added.

The contents of the twenty-six assorted baskets being raffled off (for five dollars a ticket) include: two that contain a lottery board, plus fifty dollars (Numbers 11 & 14); "Laurie Bzdak's Famous Baklava" (Numbers 23 & 24); restaurant gift certificates and one hundred dollars cash (Numbers 12 & 13); six bottles of Bully Hill wine, along with wineglasses and chocolate (Number One); a "Kitchen Helper" basket

containing a hand mixer, vacuum storage bags, and an electric kettle (Number Five); one with fun and creative kids' activities, including puzzles, games and a drawing kit (Number Two); a basket with slippers, a water bottle, lotion, bath salts and a towel (Number 10); a "Summer Fun Kit", including a pillow, outdoor lights and a tablecloth (Number Six), a barbecue basket with an apron, a chef's hat, a motorized grill brush, and more.

The musical entertainment includes Larry Lewicki (known as the King of Polka) and a band, and the Stickights, and more. Lewicki's very versatile and can also play classic rock, rock and roll, and other types of music. He and his band will play between noon and 2pm. The Stickights will play from 7pm-10pm. They can play a wide variety of songs. For example, on YouTube they have clips in which they cover "Superstition" by Stevie Wonder, "Just What I Needed" by the Cars, and "Send Me on My Way" by Rusted Root.

There will be an outdoor Mass at 4:30pm, conducted by Father John Adams. The church is located at 931 North Union Street (Bordmanville Park) in Olean, NY. For more info, contact kbarber@sjteolean.org

Inside Business: The Peach Truck

The Roots of this Delivery Service



By KATE BARTLETT

The Peach Truck offers peach delivery service to over 25 locations across the US, with upcoming delivery dates in the

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peaches and brought them back to Nashville. Word spread of the fresh peaches, and the community quickly shared in his passion for the juicy, ripe fruit. They ate 10 tons of the brown-bagged peaches in just five weeks. They are now celebrating their 10th year in business with 60+ booths across Nashville, 25 state tours and nationwide shipping to your front door. They invite you to experience the difference of freshness and share in their joy for peaches. Fresh fruit, as it should be. Visit their website for more details on local delivery and pick up locations: help.thepeachtruck.com/en-US

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Hurricane

STORY FROM COVER

By CAROL FISHER LINN

Some anniversaries are not happy celebrations. Fifty years ago, Hurricane Agnes brought flooding to the Southern Tier – again.

Fifty years ago this June, Olean, Portville, NY and parts of north and central Pennsylvania were slammed with a devastating flood thanks to tropical storm Agnes. Other areas affected by the flood were McKean, Elk, Potter, and Cameron Counties in Pennsylvania with 15 deaths attributed to that flood.

The same area suffered a devastating flood July 17-18, 1942, where more than 2200 people perished. In the aftermath, flood dikes were built in 1952. Unfortunately, even the dikes did not prevent more flooding and damage thirty years later in 1972. They proved to be no match for hurricane Agnes which was the costliest hurricane to hit the U.S., causing \$2.1 billion in damage and taking 128 lives.

Destructive as these floods were, they don't compare to the Great Mississippi Flood of 1927 with 27,000 square miles inundated in depths up to 30 feet over the course of several months. Although it didn't happen during that flood, the great and powerful Mississippi River has actually

reversed its flow, first in 1812 when a massive earthquake created a "fluvial tsunami" in the river. In 2005, Hurricane Katrina sent the waters backward for a few hours and its level was raised 13 feet. In 2012 Hurricane Isaac was the perpetrator sending the river backward for 24 hours with an exceptionally strong velocity. This is a good example of why one does not fool with Mother Nature.

Floods are severely underestimated. They are the #1 disaster in the United States aside from wildfires. All fifty states are subject to flash floods which can bring walls of water from 10 to 20 feet high. Six inches of fast-moving water is enough to knock an adult down. When you watch flooding on the news you often see drivers trying to navigate through them. 66% of flood related deaths come from these attempts. A car can be carried away in as little as two feet of water. If you have homeowners' insurance, you have insurance against flooding, right? Nope. Unless you have a Flood Policy, you need a separate policy if you live in a flood prone area.

The flood of 1927 along the Mississippi River was not the biggest flood recorded. On August 1, 1993, the Mississippi at St. Louis, crested at 49.58 feet, the highest flood stage ever recorded. But we can't talk about floods without talking about The Great Flood, possibly the first one that happened. Robert Ballard, an acclaimed underwater

archaeologist (he and his crew found the Titanic) has found proof that the biblical flood was actually based on real events. Carbon dating shells along the underwater shoreline of the Black Sea, four hundred feet below the surface off the coast of Turkey, Ballard established a timeline for the Great Flood which is estimated to have happened around 5,000 BC. Some experts believe this is around the time when 600-year-old Noah's flood could have occurred, 1656 years after the time of Adam (of Adam and Eve fame). (ABC News 12/05/12 – "evidence Noah's Biblical Flood Happened...")

It is good to respect water, especially fast-moving water, flooding over dry land. As in this area, fifty years ago, there sometimes is very little warning of widespread flooding, sometimes only hours (three in Pittsburgh and eight in Salamanca). Although the sight of water rising so quickly is fascinating, the best thing to do is not gawk, but to seek higher ground, and fast. Sometimes flooding happens in the most unlikely places. In the early sixties, I lived in Sloan, off of Broadway (think 10 miles from Broadway Market). It was hardly a flood zone, and yet, we had rains that fell so quickly and hard that the viaducts over Broadway looked like a bridge sitting on a river. Hardly a place one would expect a flood. So, be smart. Be alert, and don't look for an adventure if you are faced with a flood.

Jazz

STORY FROM COVER

started in the blue-collar town of Lackawanna NY, a suburb of Buffalo which was once the center of steel manufacturing throughout most of the 20th century. A seven-year-old Mick Hayes was given a guitar, some hand-me-down records, and learned the meaning of the Blues very quickly when his parents were divorced that same year.

In his mid-teens, Mick was working by day on cars during summer break and performing in smoke filled bars for the standard musician wage by night. Not too long after that he graduated to regional shows in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Canada. By the time he was in his early 20's he had established himself as a full-time musician and took his newly formed band around the country, eventually relocating to Georgia to explore the southeast region. However, after a few years of industry struggles, Mick found himself without a band or a place to live.

After all those years of trying to "make it" in the music industry, releasing ten albums of original material, thousands of shows, a handful of reality TV show appearances and a few misguided management contracts, the Mick Hayes we know today emerges independently. After starting his own record label in 2019, Mick released a brand-new record to glowing reviews that was recorded in only five days at legendary FAME Studio in Muscle Shoals, Alabama and cleverly titled 'MY CLAIM TO FAME'.

On Sunday, July 31 at 12:30pm at the Winery of



Mick Hayes (left) is a published songwriter, accomplished singer and guitarist who's been on the Grammy ballot more than once and in a number of different categories throughout the course of his career. Bobby Militello (right) is one of those artists that prefers to record live, when possible, in order to truly exhibit the qualities that make jazz so interesting. Bobby has been on over 250 recordings and various television and film scores.

Ellicottville Main Stage, listen to the sounds of the amazing **Bobby Militello Quartet** with special guest Alex MacArthur. Throughout his career (spanning some 50 years), Bobby has formed various groups of his own ranging from Fusion/Funk to Bebop. His first national recording, 'Primal Scream', was with Maynard Ferguson in 1975, and his first solo album was recorded in 1982 on Motown Records, entitled 'BobbyM Blow'. Enjoying a large range of musical styles, Bobby has merged his love for many types of music into his present style of bop. This, combined with his obvious ability to express emotion in his playing, makes for a unique sound and approach to playing the alto sax, tenor sax, flute and soprano. He is one of those artists that prefers to record live, when possible, in order to truly exhibit the qualities that make jazz so interesting. Bobby has been on over 250 recordings and various television and film scores.

and versatile singer who has become known as one of the region's top talents. She has a great love for Blues music which she'll be showcasing in this performance. Her musical theatre and voice studies at the University at Buffalo opened up a variety of performance opportunities that brought her association with some of the most highly esteemed musicians that have helped her career flourish. Having been awarded the Jazz Buffalo Rising Star Award and Best Female Jazz Vocalist 2018, you can count on her performance with the Bobby Militello to be one you won't forget!

Ellicottville's downtown will surely be saturated with some of the greatest regional Blues and Jazz musicians for two full days! Plan your overnight stay at any of Ellicottville's accommodations, park the car, and get ready to take in a Blues' in good time! Bring the family, dine, shop, and enjoy the best of summer. For a full line-up of music, head over to ellicottvillenyc.com or call 716-699-5046.

Alex McArthur is a dynamic

East Otto Historical Museum

The East Otto Historical Museum will be open from 1:00 to 3:00 pm every Sunday during the month of July 2022. Appointments for other days can also be arranged with Michelle Gogel, Historian (716) 257-0654. The museum is located next to the Fire Hall in the center of town at 8982 Reed Hill Rd. East Otto. Items in the museum tell the story of people and businesses that once were a part of East Otto. They include pictures of people and houses, small farm tools, in the kitchen, and old obituary clippings and much more. The museum is housed in one of the oldest buildings in town, originally built in 1834 as a Baptist church.

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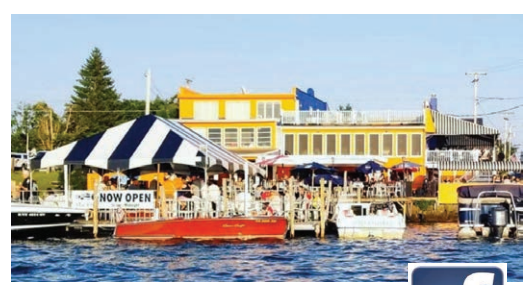
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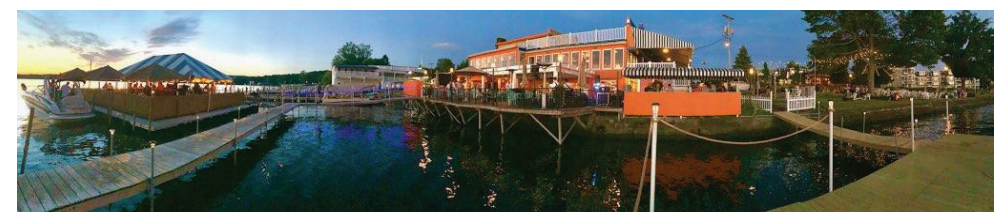
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Family Project for Up and Coming Airbnb in Bemus Point, NY



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By JUDY SHULER

Of all the property in the estate, this house was the last to sell. They had been looking for property for a second Airbnb, and Barbara Federico just happened to drive by the old farmhouse on Belleview Heights Road in Bemus Point, New York and saw it was for sale. She and her husband Joe purchased it in October, with the goal of completing it by June. It was a challenge from the beginning. "Big project-smells terrible."

The five-acre property includes 35 feet of frontage on Chautauqua Lake. Once the elegant long-time home of an attorney and his wife, it fell in disrepair with the recent owner. A dog pen had been built inside that "smelled rather strongly".

A builder and contractor, Joe Federico has renovated

numerous homes on Chautauqua Lake. Their son, Christian; daughter, India, a social worker; and her boyfriend, Austin Goerke, a former nursing home administrator, were also interested in renovating an old house, and all took on the project of gutting and re-building.

Christian, a co-owner who lives out of state, helped with demo and laying new floors. India has been in charge of design, which includes kitchen, bathrooms, and new layout for the master bedroom and the open plan downstairs.

The house is super-old. Federico isn't sure exactly how old, but it was constructed with square nails and the beams are essentially squared solid oak trees. The foundation is made of giant cut stones five feet long.

They are re-doing, not

restoring it to its original design. Perhaps they could have gotten funding if they had, he acknowledged. While many nearby residents said they had photos from the home's heyday, he has yet to see one.

Instead, the interior will have a more open floor plan, and the exterior will feature a huge wrap-around porch. They tore down the original fireplace and reused the vintage bricks to build a new fireplace.

An outbuilding on the property they simply call "the depot" may have been, according to stories, a depot dating back to passenger rail service along the lake, a gas station, a flower shop. Or all three. The Federicos live across the lake in Ashville Bay, where he built their

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Healthwise: Testosterone

How to Boost Testosterone Naturally



By LILIAN D. DIRITO, HOLISTIC WELLNESS & ESSENTIAL OILS COACH

Just as women undergo the hormonal changes associated with menopause, men also undergo hormonal changes. Their change is known as andropause, but it is a more subtle change. Beginning in the 50's, most men experience a drop in testosterone of about one percent a year. But, in addition to this natural drop, men are experiencing a loss of testosterone that has nothing to do with aging. It also appears it isn't even due to a poor diet or lifestyle. Men today have far lower levels of testosterone than men did in the past. When testosterone levels get too low and estrogen is too high men lose muscle tone, gain weight, start to lose their hair and increase their risk of heart disease, diabetes and structural problems. They also lose drive and ambition, and may experience greater levels of anxiety and depression. They also lose their sex drive and may develop erectile dysfunction. Some important tips to enhance testosterone are number one to exercise. Regular exercise helps increase testosterone production while reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease, diabetes and other

degenerative diseases. Resistance training with weight is specifically important for men as they grow older. A natural diet is also helpful. Modern high carbohydrate diets stress the adrenal glands and the pancreas, resulting in increased levels of insulin and reduced levels of DHEA, the building blocks for male hormones. High blood sugar and diabetes not only adversely affect hormone levels, they also adversely affect circulation, which is necessary for normal erection in a man. Men also need to have goals and confidently work towards them in order to fuel their testosterone production. A decline in feelings of self-worth may also be fueling lower testosterone levels. Drugs can also adversely affect testosterone levels, medications, antidepressants, sleeping pills, etc. There are herbs that can help boost testosterone. Ginseng is a traditional herbal tonic for helping men stay healthy as they age. Maca is another potentially useful herb. It is a rejuvenating tonic for reproductive health in both men and women. Studies suggest that maca may be helpful for erectile dysfunction in men. Another option is a Male performance formula containing DHEA, l-arginine, damiana, muira puama, stem, saw palmetto, horny goat weed maca and yohimbe. A Nitric Oxide Boosting formula is a natural alternative for performance. Cordyceps, epimedium (also known as horny goat weed) muira puma, sarsaparilla, tongkat ali and tribulus (puncture vine). Pine tree pollen actually contains small amounts of testosterone. There are also nutrients that

can support the testosterone production in men. These include DHEA. DHEA levels also tend to decline with age. men over 40 with low testosterone may find it helpful to supplement with about 25mg.of DHEA each day. A Men's DHEA Formula combining DHEA with testosterone enhancing herbs like ginseng and sarsaparilla can be even more helpful. Zinc is also very important for male reproductive health. Men require more zinc than women for their reproductive function because they lose zinc with each ejaculation. Supplementation with Zinc can help improve sperm count, reduce prostate swelling and help boost testosterone production. 25-50mg/day is usually sufficient. Prostate Support Formula containing saw palmetto, needle root, pygeum and zinc can be very helpful for easing prostate symptoms. It's also important to supplement with Omega 3 fatty acids for inflammation of the prostate, they have been shown to inhibit prostate cell growth and reduce prostate enlargement, they help decrease pain and fatigue, reduce night time urination, increase elimination(stream) and increase libido. For more information please call Nature's Remedy in Ellicottville at 716-699-4372 or follow us on: facebook.com/naturesremedy.net The information found on this article is for educational purposes only to empower people with knowledge to take care of their own health. We disclaim any liability if the reader uses or prescribes any remedies, natural or otherwise, for him/herself or another.

Powwow

STORY FROM COVER



The powwow honors all veterans and is named in honor of Marvyn "Joe" Curry, a member of the Seneca Nation of Indians' Snipe Clan, who led a long and distinguished career of military service in the United States Navy, serving two tours of duty in the Korean War and also serving in the Vietnam War.

hosted by the Onohsagwë: de' Cultural Center, Iroquois Social Dancing (which everyone is encouraged to join in for), Native artwork and crafts and of course food vendors like Murphy's Concessions will be on scene for all to enjoy.

Also, we can't forget the competitions. The powwow will feature a number of dance competitions, with more than \$36,000 in prizes awarded. Dance competition categories include Smoke Dance, Jingle Dance, Grass Dance, and Traditional Dance. Special categories include Men's Veterans Special, Women's Veterans Special, "Honoring Our Womxn Healers" Jingle Dress Special, "Dance for Her" Women's Red Dress Smoke Dance Special, and the Kyle Dowdy, Sr. Memorial War Dance Showdown. Competition winners will be announced on Sunday evening, before the conclusion of the powwow.

Daily admission is \$10 for adults, with weekend

bracelets available for \$15. Admission for students age 5-17 and seniors age 60 and older is just \$5 per day or \$10 for a weekend bracelet. Veterans and active military personnel (with valid ID) and children age 4 and younger will be admitted free of charge.

Gates open at 10 a.m. each day, with a Veterans Honoring at 11am, and the must-see Dancer Grand Entry at Noon. Complete schedule, online ticket purchase, registration and contest information is available at senecapowwow.org.

The Powwow Committee closes this out the best, saying, "The powwow is a signature event, not only for the Seneca people, but for friends and neighbors locally and across the country who have been a part of our celebration for many years. After waiting for the past two years, we're thrilled to finally welcome everyone back to the Allegany Territory. Powwow weekend can't get here fast enough."

old favorites and includes some great new things for our communities to enjoy.

The Seneca Nation has presented the annual celebration of Native American culture for 30 years. And though the global pandemic caused the forced cancellation of the 2020 and 2021, the powwow is one of the largest celebrations on Native American culture in the Northeast and attracts visitors and competitors from across the US and Canada. The Powwow Committee is determined that 2022's event will bring back many familiar faces and be especially meaningful for people coming together after all of the difficulties.

"We have lost so many friends and loved ones over the past two years, within our Seneca community and across Indian Country," the Committee stated. "Coming together for the powwow gives us all a chance to reconnect, reflect, honor those we lost, and, most of all, celebrate being together."

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This is a family friendly event and it offers a wide variety of activities. There will be a Tiny Tot's Dance for children 4 years old and younger, a cultural tent

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What's Shaking in EVL

Whether Outside or In, Live Music is Always Available

By: MOUTH SAY TONGUE

There's music every night of the week so when you're done enjoying the tons of things there are to do in the area get to the nearest venue and listen. Let's see who's playing where.

We have a seven-day weekend and it starts on Thursday at Balloons with Burger and Brew Night from 4-10pm. This week's musical guest is Girls of Grosh from 6-9pm. These two ladies have been playing every month for the last year in town and play a rock/folk/pop/alt set of covers and originals. \$12 gets you your choice of any burger and any beer on the menu with house made chips.

The Chamber of Commerce presents the Gazebo Series from 7-9pm, Thursday night, this week's act is Dozo My Lady. They are a trio that plays jazz/pop/rock and bar standards. Bring a chair or blanket and listen to some music under the stars.

The Gin Mill's Thursday offering is the Chillbillies from 8-11pm. This husband-and-wife duo play rock/southern rock/folk/pop/country covers. Try the latest kitchen in town open till 12am Wed-Sat and 11pm Sun-Tues.

FRIDAY: Balloons is first out of the gate with Tina Williams from 6-9pm in the tent. Tina plays a rock/folk/pop/alt/indie set of covers and originals. SON will take the main stage from 7-10:30pm. They play a rock/blues/R&B/alt pop set of covers and originals. DJ Bad Weekend will follow with some jammin so you can so a little slammmin on the dance floor till 2am.

The Cabana Bar at Holiday Valley will feature Jay McDonnell from 7-10pm. Jay plays a set of acoustic rock, think CSNY, Jackson Browne, Tom Petty. Sit by the pool and sip a cocktail.

The Gin Mill is back with Wasted Whiskey from 8-12am. This WNY band explores the rocking side of country. Try the Carriage Side Bar located inside the Gin Mill for some high-end cocktails made with premium liquor.

Madigan's will have the deck buzzing with DJ Buffalo Joe rockin the sound booth layin down the groove so you can bust a move in the window from 9-2am.

SATURDAY: The Gin Mill is first up with Davey O from 2-5pm. Davey plays a folk/folk rock wet of covers. The night shift will be hosted by JB Martin and the Smokin Dogs from 8-12am. They play a swing/blues/rockabilly set of originals and covers and this may be the sleeper show of the weekend.

The Ellicottville Distillery will host their annual cornhole tournament with registration starting at 1pm. Music will be provided by Henry's Summer Kitchenette from 4-7pm.

We're back at Balloons in the tent with Brianna Blankenship from 6-9pm. Brianna plays country originals and covers. The Tui Osborne band will take the main stage from 6:30-10pm. This EVL resident plays a reggae/ska/pop/rock set of covers that are danceable and fun. DJ Bad Weekend will follow in the sound booth till 2am.

Madigan's will have the A-Team Behind the pine slingin cocktails while DJ One Ten puts the glide in your stride from 9-2am.

SUNDAY: Balloons now has Sunday music and this Sunday, The Black and Blues Duo will perform from 1-4pm. These are two of Buffalo's finest blues guitarists and this should be a treat.

The Gin Mill is back with the Hick Ups from 2-5pm. They play a bluegrass/roots/country

set of covers while you enjoy some Bloody Mary's.

Head out to Ellicottville Distillery for some cocktails and music provided by Kody and Herren from 2-5pm. This Springville couple plays folk/rock/roots/country covers and originals.

Villaggio hosts their AYCE Pasta Bar and Prime Rib Night from 5-9pm featuring Chris Maloney from 5:30-8:30pm. Chris plays a rock/pop/alt/folk set of covers to accompany the best Italian food in the southern tier.

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. 75 cent wings and this week's musical guest is Brianna Blankenship from 6-9pm in the tent. Brianna is a former American Idol contestant and plays originals and cover tunes.

Balloons Tuesday offering is the Darkwater Duo from 6-9pm. Rick and Jared play a rock/pop/country/ alt set of covers.

The Gin Mill's Tuesday band is The Marty Peters Duo from 7-11pm. They play blues and folk music from the 60-70's. Try the Gin Mill burger if you're hungry. Very tasty.

Balloons has Wednesday music for the rest of the summer and this week's guests are The Chillbillies from 6-9pm in the tent. Dine in the outdoors and listen to some music while sipping drinks. What could be better?

We close out the never-ending weekend as we have for 39 years, at The Gin Mill for Joe Wagner and Company, Wednesdays from 8-12am. Joe plays a folk/country rock/pop/blues set of covers you're familiar with.

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Beat on the Street:

What Lessons From School Do You Think About a Lot?

By CHAD NEAL

We retain quite a bit of information from our school years. We are trained to memorize many things. A lot has most likely been forgotten too, but with the right mnemonic some lessons may be regained. Depending on the class or teacher or problem, some of the lessons learned are kept tight in

the mind. As everyone is different certain knowledge is remembered differently as well. Some of those memories can bring elation or stress too, depending on how you feel about it. And if you delve into a career based on the studies you favored - those lessons will be thought of often. What lesson from school do you think of a lot?



Marra S. - Don't quit, damnit. - Bob Nugent SHS.

Beth R. - The first day in Ms. Faso's class. She had the most beautiful script in chalkboard history. I stole some of her magical calligraphic swirls. They persist in my hand to this day. Let x=x.

Jonah H. - College history teacher assigning "The People's History of the United States" by Howard Zinn as a text to see another side of the American story.



Joe L. - Relative humidity from earth science. Glenn Hall, sling psychrometer out the window in winter, 1st room on the right in ECS basement after the gun range. That and oxbow lakes.

James C. - The mitochondria are the powerhouse of the cell.

Jenna R. - To this very day I still think about a gift my English teacher gave me on graduation. A small framed photo of the simple, yet powerful words saying "I close my eyes in order to see".

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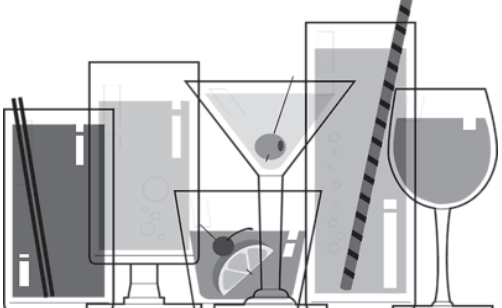
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★ ★ Sudoku Challenge ★ ★

This Week's Difficulty Level:
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To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will appear more than once in any row, column, or smaller 9 box square. Working with the numbers already given as a guide, complete each diagram with the missing numbers that will lead to the correct solution.
Good luck!

Last Week's Puzzle:

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6	2	9	1	3	8	4	5	7
7	1	3	5	4	9	8	2	6
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Fest

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around the midsummer pole on Saturday morning)
The Villager had a chance to speak with one of the event's coordinators, **Gwen Funcell** about what visitors could expect at the event.
The Villager (V): Scandinavian Folk Festival; how was this event put together?

Gwen (G): "The festival started as a fundraiser for Lutheran Social Services in 2002. In 2004, it transitioned to a small committee of volunteers, headed by Don Sandy; and is now a program of the American Scandinavian Heritage Foundation. The staff of the Northwest Ice Arena, the City of Jamestown, and their Parks and Recreation Department have been very helpful as well."

V: There will be Scandinavian music, can you tell us who is performing and when?
G: "We will have our local talent of Svenska Spelman and the Thule Swedish Folk Dance Team. Returning is the favorite, Smorgasbandet, with Jeanne Widman Andersen. They will be leading the midsummer procession on Saturday, along with the ring dances. New this year is another local talent, the Bonnie Loch Fiddlers. Also new is Alyssa Rodriguez, who has trained in Finland and Sweden on the nyckelharpa. Gary Kindberg will be also be singing old familiar Swedish-American songs. An entertainment program can be found at www.scandinavianjamestown.org."

V: What type of tasty ethnic foods will be on sale?
G: "Three C's catering will be providing all the Scandinavian favorites; from meatballs to rice pudding to cucumber salad; and pickled herring! And of course, there will be the famous korv burgers."



New this year is Alyssa Rodriguez, who has trained in Finland and Sweden on the nyckelharpa (instrument pictured).

V: There will be vendors at the event as well, could you tell us some of the things they will be selling?
G: "We have many vendors returning this year providing homemade goods and gifts: All Strings Considered, European Sheepskins, Scandinavian Unique Gifts; Whichcraft?, Finely Crafted by Cara, and Uniquely Swedish Gifts."

V: Is there an admission fee? If yes, how much per person?
G: "There is an admission donation of \$5 per person, with under 16 free. However, the Viking Ship will be parked on Lafayette Street for all to see, and everyone can join in the midsummer procession on Saturday morning."

V: This is a family friendly event, what type of things are there for the younger members of the family?
G: "There will be some children activities, and all kids will enjoy seeing the Viking Ship and participating in the midsummer procession. There will also be the opportunity to try curling and riding the ice bumper cars, for an additional \$2 per person. Ice skates are not required."
V: Anything else to add?
G: "Folks will be able to board the Viking Ship and learn more about it from the crew. The Viking Ship will sail on Friday from McCrea Point to Lakewood, NY. We look forward to everyone coming out and not just learning a bit about the Scandinavian Culture but having an amazing time as well."

Thank you, Gwen, for taking the time to speak with us and for sharing all this great info on the festival. A large thank you to event creator Don Sandy and the Northwest Arena for hosting a great family friendly event for our community members to enjoy.

Rodeo

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Delahoy along with Dechow's brother-in-law Daryl Baker (Dechow, Delahoy, Daryl makes the 3 D's). Craig was a bull rider when he was younger and has always had a love of bull riding and helping future bull riders learn the sport and processes involved with bull riding.

"We created an arena to help young bull riders have a place to come and be instructed as well as ride some bulls. From this spawned the idea to hey, let's start having rodeos. In May of 2021 we kicked off with our first "Bulls and Barrels" rodeo event. We continued our 2021 season with just "Bulls and Barrels" events from May until October. The 2022 season started in May and we added team roping and breakaway roping to our events list. Our lineup of events for a rodeo includes (in no particular order) Mutton Bustin' (sheep riding), children's stick horse race, Jr bull riding (up to age 14), Jr barrel racing (up to 16 years old), novice bull riding, pro bull riding, pro barrel racing, team roping, and breakaway roping."

"We would encourage everyone to come see the hard work and dedication these athletes put in this sport. Every show we have is a little different from the last, no two shows are the same. We have contestants participate from all over the country. The main core group comes typically from NY, PA, WV, OH, Maryland. Our cowboys and cowgirls come from all walks of life including: ranch hands, farmers, police officers, military members, firemen, EMT'S, construction workers, secretaries and so on."

"The prizes we offer for bull riding (except for Jr bull riding), barrel racing, and roping events is money payback from entry monies plus "added" monies from Triple D (triple D adds



money to "sweeten" the pot). We also have belt buckles made for end of the year individual winners of each event."

"The contract acts you could see at any given rodeo might include any of the following: trick riding (on horseback), trick roping (very talented roper on ground displaying different 'moves' with a lasso, and having great rope control), funny rodeo clowns. We have a mechanical bull on site this year."

Bull riding is when a rider sits down on a bull's back and ties his hand into a rope and holds on as tight as he can for 8 seconds. If he stays on for a full 8 seconds without slapping the bull, he will get a score up to 50 points for cowboy and up to 50 points for bull based on quality of each athlete. Barrel racers take control of their horse to race a cloverleaf pattern in the fastest time to win prize money, Triple D hosts some of the best barrel racing cowgirls on the east coast. In breakaway roping cowgirls try roping a running calf and if they rope the calf they stop their horse the calf continues to run until lasso breaks away from ribbon attached to cowgirl's saddle. The fastest time wins a money prize. Team roping consists of a two-person team: a header and a heeler. The header attempts to rope a steer around the horns and bring steer around so the

heeler can rope the steers back legs. The fastest time wins monetary prize. For roping events Triple D has teamed up with Sanderson Ranch (Tommy & Lori Sanderson). Sanderson Ranch provides all the roping stock and takes 'call in' for entries for team roping and breakaway roping. For bull riding we supplement our bulls with some bulls from Broken B Ranch (Tracy English) and Rank Catt Arena (Hunter and Brandy Baker). Triple D absolutely appreciates all the help we receive from these awesome contractors."

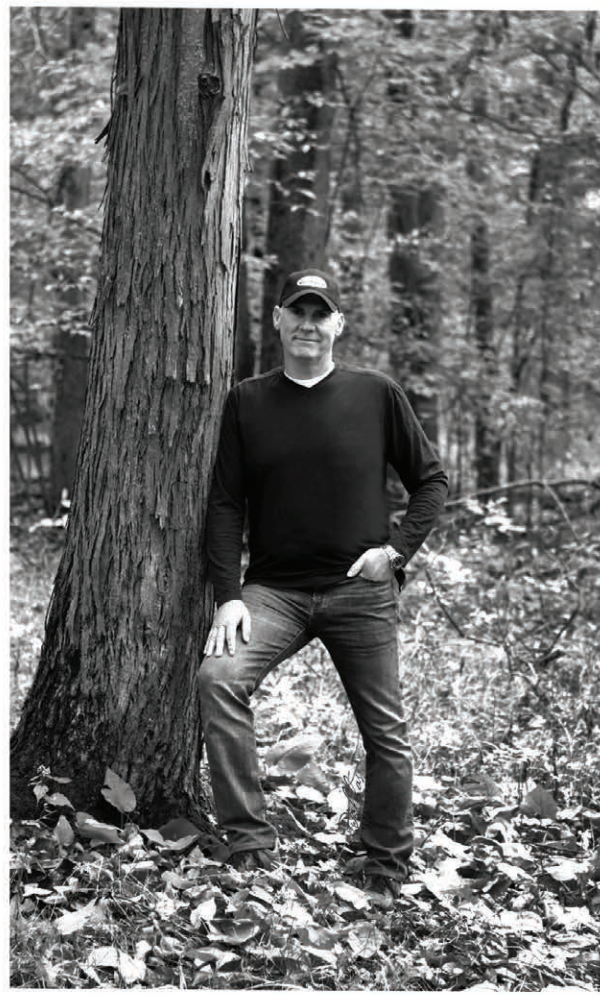
Triple D crowds vary from rodeo to rodeo (mainly due to weather, but also other large entertainment venues having events). "Our crowds average between 500-1000 spectators." Triple D would also like to thank all of our 2022 sponsors. Without them we just couldn't do this. We also have the best volunteers helping us at each rodeo and everyday out at the ranch."

Triple D Admission is \$15 for adults, \$7 for children 5-12-years-old. The rodeo is free for those 4-years-old and younger. The rodeo is located at 5902 Allegany Road in Cattaraugus, where gates open at 5pm, and the rodeo starts at 7pm. There are vendors, concessions and live music following the rodeo. The next rodeo will be on July 15th.

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